



EASTERN REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: March 13th 2008 PLACE: Mansfield Health Education Center, Billings Montana

PRESENT: BVonbergen (BillingsClinic)

PClifton(SVH); LHilliard(BillingsClinic);
RDickerson(BillingsClinic); VHert(BillingsClinic);
CLeeMD(BillingsClinic); AGoffena(BillingsClinic);
JVogel(Billings); ESchuchard(Glasgow);
KTodd(StateDPHHS);
JHansen(BigTimber);DGilbertMD(Lovell)

TELEPRESENT: WmOleyMD(RedLodge);
LBerg(Harlowton); STaylor(MilesCity); TMoore,
CBrown, BFrench(Culbertson);
DMcFeters(Bozeman); JFosland, LLeibrand,
MFarver, LWolford, EHuda, DHubbard, NReed
(all from Scobey)

**10 Facilities / 25 participants
Thank You!**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION	ACTION / FOLLOW-UP
<u>CALL TO ORDER and REVIEW OF MINUTES CASE REVIEWS</u>	<p>Called to order at 1400; Meeting minutes had been mailed out for review; no amendments; approved</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Case #1: blunt chest trauma in pediatric patient with bronchial tear. Case reinforces that airway quality must be assured prior to movement through ATLS algorithm and that "outside of the box" thinking may be in order in unique cases of airway injury Case #2: hypothermia/TBI. Case reinforces methods of correction of hypothermia based on depth of temperature dyscrasia and surveillance for consequences of rewarming. Case #3: Blunt chest trauma and aortic tear. Case reinforces mechanism and imaging markers for aortic trauma and early support methods. Case #4: trauma in gravid female. Case reinforces care for mother as simultaneous care for child and alterations in resuscitation in pregnancy. 	<p>None</p> <p>Informational</p>	<p>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</p> <p>Post to web / PClifton</p> <p>Please forward ideas for case reviews from your trauma/trauma transfer population. ERTAC hosts will help with presentation building!</p> <p>MD involvement in case presentation may be worth CME in future so MD are encouraged to present</p>
<u>STATE REPORT</u> (KTodd)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Designation visits this month in Culbertson, Anaconda, Red Lodge Consultation visits pending in Hardin and Fort Belknap Scheduling designation visits in Terry and Malta Livingston designated as a Community Trauma Hospital for 3 yrs. First in Montana! 	<p>Continue participation in ERTAC either on site or via telemedicine to meet regional participation criteria. Regional centers in Billings should be used as process and clinical resources in building area,</p>	

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	<p>5. Regional Medical Assistance Teams are being considered for each trauma region in MT without federal support at this time.</p> <p>6. The first step in developing the medical assistance teams is for interested parties to take Basic and Advanced Disaster Life Support classes this Spring on internet via I-Linc and at Fairmont Hot Springs. Space is limited. See Education list attached to minutes.</p> <p>7. Pandemic Flu regional stockpiles: time-limited financial support is available to build the following for pandemic flu :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Select regional stockpile sites Select stock Design deployment Design rotation <p>8. Next STCC is in Billings on May 12th; site TBA; still with open Governor's appointments. See attached .</p> <p>9. MT/WY Coordinators meeting will be hosted by WY this year and held in Sheridan, WY on May 13th. Site and schedule TBA.</p> <p>10. MT Trauma System Conference followed by Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium September 10th, 11th, 12th in Missoula sponsored by WRTAC. Datasaver is out. Copy attached to minutes.</p> <p>11. Most of the STCC members terms are ending in November Of 2007. The positions that will be open and those who currently fill those positions are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) - Jim Bentler Trauma Coordinator – John Bleicher Eastern RTAC representatives (2) – Kirby Peden and Joe Hansen (Mr Hansen is reapplying) Indian Health Service (HIS) – unfilled Central RTAC (2) – Time Sinton and Carol Kussman Montana EMS Association (MEMSA) – Pauline Linnell Private Ambulance Operators – Mike McGree Western RTAC (1) – Greg Moore Montana Hospital Association (MHA) – Jay Pottenger Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) – William Taylor <p>For those interested in applying for one of these governor appointments or for a reappointment go to the internet eGovernment section of mt.gov. There is a section to 'Serve</p>	<p>community, and receiving facility programs. Congratulations on all the hard work.</p> <p>For information on emergency preparedness contact Jennie Nemec at jnemec@mt.gov or 444-0752.</p> <p>Contact Dayle Perrin at dperrin@mt.gov or 444-3898 for information on how to become part of the stockpile regional planning committee</p>	

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	on a Montana Board or Council' at http://mt.gov/services/government.asp . This takes you to the application and select "Trauma Care Committee" at the top of the application and then complete.		
<u>FINANCE REPORT</u>	<p>Brad Vonbergen will serve as treasurer until a volunteer steps forward. The EMS and Trauma Systems section of the DPHHS contributes money to the RTACs annually from the general fund. These monies are under complete control of the RTACS. At the December meeting, forms for requests were introduced and a stratified method of allotment and approval was presented.</p> <p>Balance: \$23, 439.65</p>	Post the forms for financial requests on the WEB site	
<u>SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Education</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New TEAM course has been rolled out and delivered in Circle, Terry, with changes forthcoming from those classes; Now ready to deliver in Ennis on May 6th. Dr.Rentz, Trauma surgeon SVH will be the surgeon instructor. RN and EMS staff sought. Brad VonBergen to coordinate. Multiple TEAM requests pending. State reps wanted to attend to utilize the Bioterrorism funding support but can train presenters to collect the necessary data so scheduling can proceed. TEAM is a 4 hr course that focuses on helping facilities develop their Trauma Team response. 2. Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium will be ERTAC sponsored in 2009. We are exploring Rock Creek Resort in Red Lodge as a venue. Need your speaker and topic ideas NOW. 3. Education Committee seeks new membership from EMS and nursing community. 4. PHTLS course has been updated. Current instructors need to be updated if not done already and new instructors trained. EMS Symposium in Billings will offer this as a pre-conference on 4/23/08 5. Education Committee will meet regularly from 1200-1400 prior to each ERTAC with email and audio conferences in between <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Quality Improvement</u></p>	<p>Some requests from facilities that have already had the courses. If you want TEAM at your facility and HAVE NOT HAD IT IN THE PAST, Elaine Schuchard needs to hear from you by mid April or the funding support will go to the repeat clients before it runs out this summer.</p> <p>Contact info on Educ listing attached</p>	

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	<p>Joe Hansen , Penny Clifton (ERTAC) and Jennie Nemec (State) are remaining members and Dr. Oley will replace Dr. Peden as MD. There is data being collected now from a variety of facilities and put into the state trauma registry that can be used to highlight and trend QI needs in clinical care and process. Joe would like to develop initiatives based on an analysis of this data. Rural facilities need to also consider how they would like QI committee to assist with peer review, as facilities with 1-2 providers may not be able to provide their own. Dr. Peden had us reviewing all deaths that come as transfers into the regional centers. Need to reconsider that as opposed to offering peer review to support rural review and performance improvement needs for designation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PreHospital</u></p> <p>This committee needs to be developed. Relevant projects that might feed into regional trauma plan development could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. tiered trauma team activation criteria for various sizes of facilities with various depths of resources b. heightened surveillance for falls and trauma in the anticoagulated population, which is one of the national patient safety goals. <p>Chris Mehl, Plentywood, and Teresia Moore, Culbertson are part of an Eastern MT EMS director's group that could become part of this subcommittee's infrastructure. This group currently meets monthly at rotating locations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Injury Prevention</u></p> <p>There is considerable activity going on statewide for a subcommittee to become part of : ThinkFirst programming in grade schools, Falls prevention programs (melded with chronic anticoagulation issues) , MT Seat Belt Coalition working towards primary seat belt legislation.</p>	<p>Cull state data for to identify a regional need that QI initiatives can address</p> <p>Re-visit and revise as needed the method for requesting a chart review.</p> <p>Dr. Oley provided the name of a paramedic in Red Lodge who may be willing to initiate a prehospital committee. He will contact that person. The new outreach coordinator from SVH is also a field provider and Penny Clifton will approach him for the June meeting.</p> <p>Teresia Moore will discuss participation with the Eastern RTAC at the meeting being held in Sidney on March 26th and report back.</p> <p>Dr. Oley and Penny Clifton both have target individuals to approach regarding this committee</p>	<p>June Agenda</p> <p>June agenda</p> <p>June Agenda</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>General Issues</u></p> <p>The state has support mechanisms, such as I-Linc , to allow persons from throughout the region to meet to discuss subcommittee issues. ERTAC also has money to support the processes. The current ERTAC members are willing to assist with each of the inactive subcommittees and assist with getting a project off the ground / helping develop committee formats that can be self sustaining. All subcommittee activities can have an even larger benefit if they work on items that contribute to the regional trauma plan, also the responsibility of the ERTAC</p>																																
<u>AGENDA ITEMS</u>	<p>1. CME for ERTAC: Brad VonBergen and Penny Clifton are planning to cost share this initiative to offer CME to MD attendees and presenters at ERTAC. CME generally is only awarded based on physician-driven, Physician-developed, and physician-delivered content. So MD involvement will be essential.</p> <p>2. Trauma and supplemental oxygen: have noted more patients arriving directly or in transfer on nasal cannula oxygen.</p> <p>3. If a radiographic imaging packet is burned onto a disc for transfer, it is still essential that the CXR be made available on screen or view box for flight personnel to see prior to transport.</p> <p>4. Chronic anticoagulation: All facilities should heighten awareness to this population, triage them higher, offer earlier INR and closer neuro surveillance, with earlier transfer decisions. Get regional advice on Vitamin K and consider early transfer.</p>	<p>An MD presenter for June is requested.</p> <p>Nasal cannula is not indicated in trauma until</p> <p>1. The resuscitation phase assessment and intervention is complete and the patient is stable.</p> <p>2. Patients being transferred to a higher level of care are assumed to still be within the resuscitative phase and nasal cannula may not be the optimal first line oxygen delivery system, in general. Special situations will exist.</p>	<p>Please contact Brad or Penny.</p> <p>100% NRB is recommended</p>																														
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